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Repair Work to Begin on Black Bridge in Grand Canyon

Grand Canyon, AZ - The National Park Service has awarded a contract for the repair and maintenance of the Black Bridge, one of the bridges used by hikers and mule riders to cross the Colorado River.

Weather permitting, the Black Bridge will be closed to hiker traffic from approximately 8:30 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., beginning November 1, 2006 and lasting through approximately November 20, 2006. Mule strings will continue to use the Black Bridge and crossings will be coordinated with the contractor. Repair work will consist of painting the bridge abutments and replacing bridge cables.

Informational signs will be posted at the South Kaibab Trail and River Trail junction and at the North Kaibab and Bright Angel Trail junction, as well as at trailheads and Phantom Ranch. Hikers using the South Kaibab Trail will need to follow the River Trail detour to the Silver Bridge to cross the river. The detour from the South Kaibab Trail to the Silver Bridge is approximately one mile.

We thank you for your cooperation and understanding. For additional information regarding this project and temporary closure, please contact Gil Gabaldon, Grand Canyon National Park Construction Representative, at (928) 638-7907.

